

REMARKS

Claims 1-27 and 59 are now pending in the application. Claims 28-58 have been cancelled from the application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejection(s) in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

DRAWINGS

The drawings stand objected to for certain informalities related to claims 28-58. Claims 28-58 have been cancelled from the application, thereby rendering these objections moot.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1-57 and 59 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 has been amended to address the concerns raised by the Examiner. Claims 4, 10 and 11 have also been amended to address similar concerns. Applicant submits that these amendments are minor in nature and do not raise any new issues for consideration by the Examiner. Therefore, Applicant requests that these amendments be entered at this time and the rejections be withdrawn.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claims 28-58 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. This rejection is respectfully traversed. Claims 28-58 have been cancelled from the application, thereby rendering these objections moot.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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